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Council tax discount for victims of flooding

THE council has called on the Environment Agency to look into exactly why the River Quaggy burst its banks in Eltham just before Christmas, flooding people's homes and making several families homeless.

Letters have already gone out to residents who have not been able to return to their homes, inviting them to apply for a cut in their council tax "in recognition of the upheaval and disruption to their lives".

At a meeting of the full council last Wednesday (January 29) councillors expressed their "utmost sympathy" for the residents affected. They resolved to work with them to ensure there was adequate redress and assurances about future flood prevention from the Environment Agency, which is responsible for flood control.

It follows a public meeting with representatives of the Environment Agency on January 15, where there were still unresolved issues about what caused the floods.

Councillors strongly support residents, and believe the flooding was the result of a build-up of rubbish in the river defence system, installed in 2006, which caused the Quaggy's flood defence system to fail.

There was 50mm of rain in 24 hours before midnight on December 23.

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Housing ads discriminate

HAVING followed the housing allocations advertisements in GT, I've noted the proliferation of discriminatory articles bearing the statement "Over 50s only." The welfare reform has resulted in many people being affected by the bedroom tax and many tenants are trying to move into smaller homes but finding their bids blocked owing to age discrimination. These housing advertisements are offensive and a total disgrace. I have written to the Department of Communities and Local Government.

S Williams, Eltham

● The council offers a range of social housing including some properties that are specifically developed for residents aged 50 and over to meet an increasing demand and to free up larger homes for families on the Housing Register. Rather than being discriminatory, this policy is recognised as good practice by the Government in responding to the needs of older people. In 2013, these homes accounted for only 13 per cent of the total lettings and helped a number of households affected by the welfare reforms to downsize.

Home improvements have affected house sparrows

CONCERNING your story Loss of House Sparrows in London (GT Jan 14). Many items are written about the decline in house sparrows but none seem to list the most obvious reason. I am 77 years old, and when I was a youngster nearly every house had sparrows nesting under the roof. But modern buildings made sure this could not happen and many old buildings have been double glazed and fitted to stop nesting. This created a massive decline in house sparrows. It's nothing to do with food supply. On the other hand birds nesting in roofs led to maggots, rats and mice and on hot days, some very unpleasant smells.

Mr F Rochester, Charlton

● A royal borough spokesman said: "Thanks

Star Letter

for your letter Mr Franklin, it's fair to say that a loss of nesting sites such as eaves and hedgerows have contributed to the decline in house sparrows. Changes in farming methods are thought to have affected sparrows in rural areas but in towns and cities the causes have been more complex, with a range of reasons from cats to air pollution and pesticides. Thankfully recent research by the British Trust for Ornithology seems to suggest that the population of sparrows in Britain seems to be stabilising. There are several ways to help sparrows to flourish including letting a part of your garden go wild to encourage insects; planting thick vegetation such as ivy for sparrows to hide in; installing nest boxes as an alternative nesting place; putting a bird feeder out and stocking it with seed mix and large grains; and regularly cleaning your bird feeder to prevent disease."

Dangerous to remove railings for 'decluttering'

I AM concerned about Transport for London removing the railings at the pedestrian crossing at the junction of Haimo Road and Westhorpe Avenue Eltham.

I live nearby and cannot believe that these railings have been removed without any warning so near to Haimo Road Primary School too. It is very dangerous in my opinion and I have been told by Transport for London that these railings were removed under the Mayor of London's project of "decluttering" the roads.

I, as a pensioner, find crossing this extremely busy South Circular Road difficult but made even more difficult by the removal of the railings that were a guide to negotiating this busy road.

John Dedman, Eltham

● Dana Skelley, director of asset management, TfL surface transport, said: "As part of our work to remove unnecessary street clutter creating clearer, more accessible streets with more space for pedestrians, we conducted a full safety audit and placed public notices on the street for more than six weeks before we removed the guardrail on the junction of Haimo Road and Westhorpe Avenue Eltham. Transport for London always monitors the impact of any guardrail removal."

Pic Spot... send yours to greenwichtime@outlook.com



SACHA JACOBS: 'A foggy morning on Plumstead Common'

ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

Feb 5 - Children and young people's scrutiny panel, 7pm committee room 6.

Feb 6 - licensing sub-committee A, 5pm committee room 6.

Eltham Crematorium joint committee, 6.30pm, Eltham

Crematorium, Crown Woods Way.

Feb 11 - Healthier Communities & Older People Scrutiny Panel, 6.30pm, committee room 6.

Feb 13 - Overview and Scrutiny, 7pm, committee room 6.

Feb 17 - Planning Board, 6.30pm, committee rooms 4 & 5.

Feb 18 - Licensing Sub-Committee B, 6pm, committee room 4.

Best Value Review Team: Expansion

of Recycling to Flats, 7pm, committee room 6.

Feb 19 - Cabinet, 7pm, committee rooms 4 & 5.

Feb 25 - Licensing Sub-Committee C, 5pm, committee room 6.

Overview & Scrutiny call in sub committee, 5.30pm, committee room 7.

Feb 26 - Council, 7pm, council chamber

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings

All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

We would advise you to check before you travel.

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'We must learn from history'

PRIMARY school pupils launched a poignant town hall service for Holocaust Memorial Day.

Pupils from Eglinton Primary school read their own poetry about the horrors, pain, suffering and evil of the Holocaust.

They were part of a gathering which included royal borough councillors, residents, faith and community leaders at Woolwich Town Hall last Monday (January 27).

Royal borough Mayor, Cllr Angela Cornforth introduced the annual event which this year had the theme of journeys.

She also paid tribute to Holocaust survivor Gertrude Evans from Charlton who sadly died last year.

In an emotional recollection of his own family's experiences, local resident Frank Lerner spoke about his family history which keeps the Holocaust deeply imprinted on his mind.

He told how hatred and racism affected his family, including his mother's journey growing up in Europe on the cusp of the Second World War and the pain of losing

by Dan Stephens

his father, who was killed in action fighting the Nazis in 1944.

Mr Lerner also told of the unimaginable sadness of his mother's bid to trace her family after the war and finding out that they had been murdered in the Holocaust.

He told GT: "History is important because as human beings we must learn from history and Holocaust Memorial Day is one of those events that will help us to do that."

Gerald Rose, of the Catford and Bromley Synagogue, said: "Journeys of the Holocaust were horrific and often led to death. The importance of today is to journey into the future and cry 'never again'."

The Rev Mike Leader, Dean of the royal borough, closed the event with a prayer and spoke of the importance of honouring the survivors of the Holocaust and their journey.

He said: "It is a time for everyone to pause and reflect, to remember everyone who has had their lives destroyed by genocide."

Town hall service remembers Holocaust victims



PAYING TRIBUTE: Frank Lerner lights a candle watched by Eglinton pupils, Mike Leader and Gerald Rose

Woman fined for spending a penny in Woolwich alley

THE royal borough has brought its first prosecution against someone urinating in the street.

A woman was fined £400 and ordered to pay £200 towards the prosecution costs by Bexley Magistrates on January 27.

The woman, who came from Camberwell, was observed urinating in Myrtle Alley next to Boots in Hare Street, Woolwich, at about 11.35am on July 3 last year.

She was approached by a

town centre warden who warned her that she was committing an offence under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

She was issued with a £75 fixed penalty notice, which would be reduced to £50 if paid within ten days.

However, she appealed against the fixed penalty notice on July 12 but this was rejected and council officials decided to prosecute.

The borough is currently processing three fixed penalty notices for

spitting and two for urinating.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, the royal borough's cabinet member for environment and community safety, said: "Royal borough town centre wardens are warranted to issue fixed penalty notices to those observed urinating or spitting."

"There have been quite a few complaints in this part of Woolwich and we hope this case underlines the message that this kind of anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated."

Council tax cut for flood victims

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The normal average rainfall to be expected for the whole of a December is an average of 60mm.

Now the council wants the Environment Agency to urgently produce a full report in response to questions about the design of the River Quaggy flood defence system.

They also want to know full details of a December 23 inspection of a river trash screen. There are concerns that equipment was not in place to remove a build up of debris from the previous day and that removed rubbish left at the side

of the culvert was responsible for the water build up.

Cllr Peter Brooks, the royal borough's deputy leader, said: "Despite a meeting with Environment Agency reps, we are still unclear as to the exact cause of the flooding and are calling for a full and thorough investigation into the precise cause of the flood so that measures can be put in place to prevent future flooding. In the meantime, we are making contact with residents who are still unable to go back to their homes to offer them a reduction in their council tax."

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- ✓ Home fire safety check
- ✓ Advice and support on keeping active and healthy in the winter months
- ✓ A free room thermometer and blanket.

Strong guard

Police campaign calls for improved home security

by Dick Townsend-Smith

COMMUNITY safety experts are leading a new campaign to help residents improve the security of their homes and cars.

Police and royal borough officers are offering advice and crime prevention tips in a bid to reduce burglaries and thefts from cars. Among the guidance, people are being reminded to lock up their property, not to leave windows open or to have valuables on show when they park their cars.

Householders are also being asked to be extra cautious of doorstep salesmen and tradesmen offering to carry out repairs or maintenance to their homes.

Other advice for when people are out and about is to keep purses, wallets and phones out of sight in an inside pocket, and wear handbags across your body with the flap facing you.

The new crime prevention drive follows particular concern for elderly and infirm residents who are falling victim to distraction thieves and cons from cold callers.

Residents are being urged to keep an eye on vulnerable neighbours and the police and council trading standards officers are set to launch a new nominated neighbour scheme.

The scheme means vulnerable residents can appoint a 'nominated neighbour' to act as a go between to help check



DOOR SECURITY: officers test door locks

whether unexpected callers are genuine.

Local people who want more information about the scheme or have concerns about doorstep callers can call trading standards for an immediate response on 020 8921 8223.

Detective Chief Inspector Mike Balcombe, a Plumstead-based officer with 20 years' experience, who leads

detectives in Greenwich, said: "There are some very simple and easy steps that anyone can take to protect their homes and personal property.

"The advice we are giving is easy to follow and I would urge everyone to take note and implement some basic crime prevention measures.

"It can make it harder for criminals to target you and significantly decrease the chances of becoming a victim of crime."

The initiative comes as the borough commander Richard Wood gave his latest report to the council outlining crime was at a five-year low.

Cllr Maureen O'Mara, the royal borough's cabinet member for community safety and enforcement, said: "It is not enough to think 'it won't happen to me'.

"Everyone needs to be more aware that there are people out there who get up every morning with the sole intention of breaking into other people's homes and stealing their possessions, or tricking them.

"There's a lot of work going on out there to encourage people to act, but it's mainly down to people's vigilance and we urge people to ensure doors and windows are secure and that valuables are not on show in cars.

"We want anyone who has concerns for their own safety, or the safety of a friend or neighbour, to get in touch.

"We can then arrange for a council officer, Trading Standards or one of our police colleagues to pay a visit to give advice and help."

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OPENING SOON: the former Old Post Office pub now has a new look and new name

New pub's special delivery

A PUB is set to reopen its doors on Thursday next week (February 13) as the Eltham GPO.

Previously known as the Old Post Office pub in Passey Place, it reopens as the Eltham GPO following a four-month refurb.

The former Royal Mail sorting office has kept its connections to its original use by having names associated with it since it has become a pub.

It is now owned by the Antic

Collective, which runs family-friendly themed pubs serving local and national ales and traditional dishes with locally-sourced produce.

Activities planned for customers include quiz nights, Sunday jazz and a comedy night as the pub seeks to become a major community venue.

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Bogus cops steal £1,000

Police hunt after two con men tricked their way in

DETECTIVES are appealing for information after bogus police officers tricked their way into an Eltham house and committed a burglary.

The two con men, who pretended to be police officers, knocked at an address in Gerda Road on Wednesday, January 15, at approximately 6.20pm.

One of the two suspects, described as a black man in his thirties, showed a form of identification in order to gain entry to the property.

The two suspects asked to see the victim's bank statements and tax returns.

They then told the victim that taxes had not paid taxes.

Both suspects managed to access the property and steal a total of £1,000 in cash and jewellery.

One suspect is described as a white man, in his thirties,

medium build, missing a front upper left tooth, greasy black hair, London accent, wearing a yellow, reflective waistcoat.

A second is described as a black man, possibly Caribbean, in his thirties, medium build, bald, wearing a black coat, black leather gloves, dark shoes and trousers.

Investigation officer DC Alan Caiels said: "We believe it is possible that the suspects had targeted this specific address."

"Anyone with information should contact us and assist with our enquiries."

Local Safer Neighbourhoods officers have stepped up patrols in the area.

● **Anyone with information should call the Greenwich Burglary Squad on 0208 284 9574 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.**

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- ③ You can choose to accept the offer or not
- ③ Almost 1,800 Greenwich residents registered for the Big London Energy Switch in November, with 66% of registrants able to save money, and an average saving of £130 per year for those households that could save.

To find out more or to register go to www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk or call 020 8921 5100

The deadline for registration is 17th February 2014

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And the band marches on

Royal Artillery musicians to leave town with concert in square on Sunday

by Dick Townsend-Smith

THE Royal Artillery Band will be marching out of their Woolwich barracks for the last time on Sunday, ending an association with the town of more than 250 years.

As part of the Ministry of Defence restructuring, the band is moving to Tidworth in Wiltshire in April.

There will still be a Corps of Army Music unit based in Woolwich, a string orchestra.

On Sunday, former band members will perform in General Gordon Square at 1.30pm, then the current members will play at 2pm.

Cllr Angela Cornforth, the Mayor of Royal Greenwich, will then present medals to band members.

She said: "Woolwich and the Army have a close, shared history spanning 300 years and the Royal Artillery Band, which is both the oldest military band and orchestra in the UK, has been based in Woolwich for almost all of its 252 years.

"Therefore it is fitting that the band should have its last

farewell with the local people who have supported them for centuries. I hope people will come along as they perform in our town for the last time."

During the Seven Years War (1756-63), officers of the Royal Artillery serving in Germany, decided they wanted a musical group to play on social occasions and so the Royal Artillery Band and Orchestra was formed during those six months in Minden.

Since then, it has performed at major events around the world.

Last year the band travelled to Afghanistan to support British troops. Over 47 days the band completed 96 engagements, with major stars including Gary Barlow and Katherine Jenkins.

The Director of Music of the RA Band Capt Craig Hallat said: "It has been a privilege to lead this band and perform at major events around the world.

"To be able to take the band to Afghanistan and entertain the soldiers was a highlight of this period of my career. Army Music has had to change to meet the needs of the modern Army and the RA Band will continue to maintain its fine heritage from its new location in Tidworth."



CHANGING TIMES OF THE BAND: The band of yesteryear (right) and modern times which have included a morale-boosting trip to Afghanistan



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Students shape a healthy future

'Mystery shoppers' assess NHS services across the borough

by Dan Stephens

STUDENTS in Greenwich have helped to ensure health services are welcoming to young people.

Posing as 'mystery shoppers', young people visit places such as youth hubs, children's centres, GP practices, pharmacies and sexual health clinics to assess them for the You're Welcome programme.

It has been run by the royal borough since 2008 in partnership with the NHS.

So far the 'young person friendly' award has been achieved by 66 health service providers - the highest number in any London borough.

The youngsters mark services for accessibility, training, skills, attitudes and values of staff and how successfully they address issues for young people.

Hannah Alli, 17, who attends Corelli College, told GT: "It's fun, you get to meet new people and learn about how to look after yourself as a young person."

"We visit various health services and ask questions to them to make sure that they are friendly towards young people."

Hazell Pacey, 21, who attends Greenwich Community College, added: "If health services aren't accessible to young people then they won't get important advice."

Young people involved also develop their own confidence and skills. Isatou Jayne, 16, a Corelli College student,



MAKING IT BETTER: Students who volunteered to gauge responses from NHS services in the royal borough

added: "It helps give you an experience of volunteering and for me it was linked with the Duke of Edinburgh Award, which I'm committed to."

Kayleigh Rooke, 19, who also attends Greenwich Community College added: "At first it was quite nerve wracking, but you get a couple of weeks training and then you're ready to go."

Cllr Jackie Smith, cabinet member for children and young people said: "The royal borough remains committed to ensuring that young people are

meaningfully engaged in shaping our local health services.

"I'm delighted that we currently lead the rest of London in the number of services recognised as young person friendly."

"The You're Welcome Programme also benefits those involved by allowing them to develop further skills and confidence."

● **Anyone 15-19 interested in volunteering can find out more at The Point, on Woolwich New Road, Woolwich, ring 020 8921 8224, or visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/the-point**

College provides hi-tech boost for business

BUDDING hi-tech firms are being offered the chance to use the cutting-edge expertise on offer at the Ravensbourne college on the Greenwich Peninsula.

The college is known worldwide for nurturing digital creative talents in product design, fashion, plus TV and film production.

Now it is offering 50 firms the chance to sign up to its 'incubation programme'. On offer are world-class technical facilities, expert business advice, the chance to work alongside other creative talents and free hot-desking space.

Ravensbourne is a key part of the peninsula's growing reputation as an important place to do business, bringing more jobs and investment to the borough.

Nearby, start-up companies have been launching themselves from the new Digital Enterprise Centre at 6 Mitre Passage. It is managed by the royal borough and offers working space to companies who want to be based in the heart of a digital world.

The college is backed by £1m from the



HI-TECH: Ravensbourne is part of Greenwich peninsula's growing reputation as an important place to do business

European regional development fund.

It aims to support London's media, technology and design firms with access to the university college's technical facilities, extensive networks and professional business support - to help them innovate, collaborate and grow.

Its incubation programme, which is completely free to businesses, includes:

- Access to hot-desk workspaces with

Apple Mac workstations with the latest media and design software, lightning-quick wireless broadband, and facilities such as a café, lockers

● Access to cutting-edge multimedia technical equipment with video production kit and TV studios, edit suites and post-production studios, 3D printers and laser cutting facilities

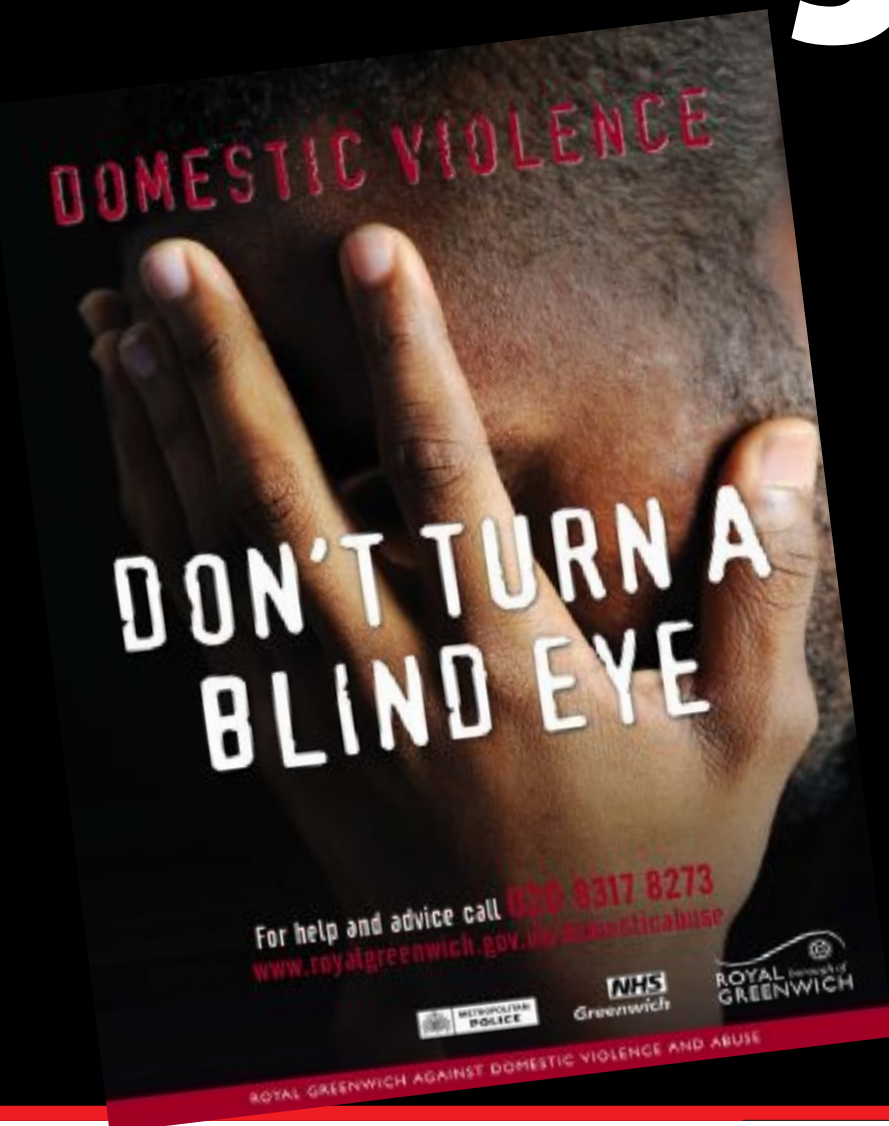
● Professional business support, with regular 'business surgery' sessions with specialist advisers in marketing, legal and finance.

In the five years Ravensbourne has run the scheme it has helped more than 200 companies to improve their turnover, supported the launch of new products and services, and created new jobs.

They include firms working in creative technology, software engineering, graphic and web design, architecture, music technology, app development, product design, games design and animation.

● **The deadline for applications is February 10. For more information go to <http://dmic.org.uk/incubation>**

I've thought about leaving



CAMPAIGN PARTNERS: police, council, health and support group reps at last week's campaign launch



TACKLING violence and abuse in Greenwich has become a key priority for the council in its bid to make the royal borough a safer place to live.

And last week it officially launched the Royal Greenwich Against Domestic Violence and Abuse Campaign.

It includes a number of new initiatives which give extra support to victims, raise awareness and encourage the reporting of assaults and abuse.

It also includes the establishment of a specialist domestic violence police team dedicated to bringing offenders to justice.

The new Domestic Violence Intervention Team (DVIT) will include a detective inspector and a four-strong specially-trained team which can provide an immediate response to reported incidents and follow cases through the legal system.

It's being funded with £600,000 from the council and builds on the success of VOU - the council-funded squad set up to fight violent and organised crime.

Health officials in the Greenwich Clinical Commissioning Group are backing the campaign with another £250,000 which means emergency support services can be available for longer hours while health care professionals are trained to spot the signs to reduce repeat victimisation.



Key to the campaign is winning support from the public.

Instead of turning a blind eye, people are being urged to come forward if they suspect a neighbour, relative or a friend is suffering at the hands of an abuser. A dedicated phone line (020 8317 8273) and a new website has been set up for people who are being abused and for people

worried about someone else.

At the heart of the campaign is a major publicity drive that will see hard-hitting

posters and leaflets displayed at community venues including GP surgeries, children's centres, schools and council buildings.

They were revealed at an official launch in General Gordon Square, Woolwich, led by Cllr Maureen O'Mara, the council's cabinet member for community safety,

Victims should not suffer in silence

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Healing the

THE council has launched a new campaign to tackle domestic violence in the borough. Working with the police, health services and support groups, it has established a range of new initiatives to support the victims - and get their attackers and abusers put behind bars if they refuse to change their ways

A helpline to safety

FUNDING from the campaign means that an advice line now has extra staff so that it can take more calls, while a new website offers 24-hour information. Both services give people vital links to the help they need.

The referral and advice line is open from 10am to 4pm, Monday to Friday. Outside of these hours there is an answerphone so callers can leave messages and referral details. The advice line and website are run by housing charity Housing for Women as part of its Greenwich Domestic Violence and Abuse (GDVA) Service, which also runs advice sessions at Plumstead Police Station. The GDVA service also manages five refuges across the borough along with providing support for women who want to stay in their homes. The support is provided through both one-to-one sessions and group workshops on topics including: domestic violence awareness, money and debt management, benefits advice, mental and physical health, parenting skills and support with employment and education. Women can also be referred to other agencies for specialist support. "Both the advice line and the website can help victims as well as concerned

family, friends and professionals seeking information or advice on what to do in cases of domestic abuse," said Judith Banjoko, services manager with Housing for Women. She stressed: "If a woman calls for the first time, it's important that she gets to talk to somebody as it might be the only time she feels brave enough or has access to the phone. Some women just want somebody to listen and believe what's happening. Others want help to define the nature of abuse or to talk through their options and all calls are treated confidentially. "The additional funding means we have greater capacity to deal with more calls. Our dedicated advice workers often take repeat calls from some women building a trusting relationship which can often give the woman the strength to leave their abusive partner. The workers are skilled and experienced and hold a wealth of local knowledge that makes all the difference to the service we can offer."

● Call the GDVA Referral & Advice Line on 020 8317 8273 or visit www.gdva.org.uk or for more information visit www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/domesticabuse Call 999 in emergencies.

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last Wednesday. She was joined by joined Supt David McLaren from Greenwich Police, Dr Eugenia Lee, from NHS Greenwich Clinical Commissioning Group, Judith Banjoko, from Greenwich's Housing for Women charity, and Stacy Smith, director of the Her Centre.

Cllr O'Mara said: "We are launching this campaign with our partners, including the police, because victims of domestic violence should not feel helpless or suffer in silence. We want victims to come forward and seek help. And we want everyone to know they can do something if they are worried a friend, relative, neighbour or stranger may be suffering domestic violence or abuse."

Dr Lee said: "As a GP in Greenwich,

I am acutely aware of the significant impact domestic violence has, not only for the victim but also the children. We are in full support of this campaign and working together with our partners to arrive at a healthier and safer Greenwich."

Supt David McLaren said: "As a partnership we are reaching out to provide a more supportive and sustained approach to assist victims through prosecution, or to make the life changing decisions to allow them to escape abusive relationships."

"We have a dedicated team of officers who will do all they can to support victims and because we know that domestic abuse is consistently under-reported, we work hard with our partners to support victims, increase reporting and put offenders before the courts."

HARD-HITTING: Cllr Maureen O' Mara and campaign partners use posters to spell out the key messages

Just call

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Seven local arrests made in London

SEVEN people were arrested when officers from the borough's Domestic Violence Intervention Team (DVIT) took part in London-wide swoop on suspected domestic violence offenders. The team, based at Plumstead Police Station, joined a 4,500 police task force on Thursday (January 23) for the Met's day of action, called Operation Big Wing. Officers, supported by specially-trained colleagues, were targeted to pursue and bring dangerous and prolific domestic abuse

offenders to justice, so helping to end the suffering of victims. Latest statistics show domestic abuse offences are up 8.9 per cent in the capital with 37,349 offences recorded between last April and January 12 this year. This compares with 34,298 offences recorded for the same period in the previous year. Meanwhile, a range of domestic abuse awareness activities are taking place across all London 32 boroughs. They include stalls

Challenge abusive behaviour

THE Her Centre's Domestic Violence Advocacy Service works with women at high risk providing emotional and practical support for victims of domestic and sexual violence, abuse and rape.

Advisors can help victims with a safety plan, support them through the court system, arrange emergency housing and deal permanent housing and benefit issues.

It also runs tailor-made counselling sessions and therapeutic support for groups and one-to-one. The centre jointly runs a weekly drop in at Brookhill Children's centre on Fridays from 10am -12pm with Housing for Women, the Tryangle

Project and Hudgells and Partner solicitors where victims can get advice including free legal advice. Her Centre advocates are also available for three days a week by appointment at Plumstead police station.

Her Centre director Stacy Smith said: "It's really important to raise awareness particularly with the general public. Often women feel very isolated but if more and more people are recognising abusive behaviour, challenging it and supporting the victims, it's got to improve the lives of people experiencing it."

● Call the Her Centre on 020 3260 7772 or visit www.hercentre.org

Hidden hurt



Changing attitudes

ALONG with the new police unit and extra support for victims, money will be spent on a campaign to change people's attitudes towards domestic violence, plus a scheme to work with victims who are at medium risk, and a new programme to tackle the behaviour of people who commit domestic violence. There will also be special training for healthcare professionals so more cases get reported and referred to Social Services, and a bigger multi-agency panel to manage cases of people at high-risk from domestic violence. A toolkit dealing with domestic violence is also being developed for use in schools.

Don-wide police operation

at busy transport hubs and shopping areas, with Community Safety Unit officers and independent experts on domestic violence on hand to give information and advice. Police officers are also being given awareness training, and Safer Schools officers are going into schools to give presentations about domestic violence. Since it started operating last September, the DVIT team has already worked with 163 high-risk victims, carried out more than 500

enforcement visits, and secured 22 non-molestation orders. The main way of measuring the success of the borough's campaign is by how many victims suffer repeat attacks. This has already improved, with the rate falling from nearly 28 per cent to just under 25 per cent in five months. Compared with other boroughs, Royal Greenwich has gone from having the third highest rate of repeat offences in London to the 19th highest rate over the same period.

STRAIGHT TALKING: former victim Anne-Marie, now a motivational speaker herself, talks to Stacy Smith from the Her Centre



Sound advice from a survivor

MUM of three Anne-Marie has turned her life around after 17 years in an abusive marriage. The 45-year-old from Woolwich now volunteers for the Her Centre working as a motivational speaker encouraging other women out of abusive situations. She said: "I'd been in an abusive relationship for 17 years and changed my whole persona to become a subservient woman. I left many times but I always went back because of the children." As a young mum she was in and out of refuges and even moved away to

Canterbury before coming back to London in 2004. When the family's troubles came to light at her daughter's school, Anne-Marie was referred to a number of support agencies including the Her Centre in Woolwich, which provides emotional and practical support for female victims of domestic violence, abuse and rape. With three years of counselling and practical support she says: "I thought domestic violence was only about a beating but there's financial, emotional and psychological bullying. The Her Centre really

helped me. Everybody is really friendly and no one judges you. I've got my confidence back and I'm seeing a future for myself." Since her divorce in 2007 family relationships have improved all round and she explained: "He has remarried and moved on and our relationship is better. I'm not scared of him and I'm more in control. I've forgiven him and moved on - I can't hold bitterness. Our relationship was rubbish but he dotes on his kids and he sees them regularly." Anne-Marie, who has two girls aged 18 and

13 and a nine-year-old son, is happy to back the council's domestic violence campaign by speaking about her life and said: "I'll do anything to raise awareness. A lot of people are not aware of the help that's available and it's good that both men and women know they are not alone, there's no shame and it's not the victim's fault." She added: "Domestic violence usually happens behind closed doors and people may hear it but they don't know what to do. Having the helpline and the website means there's always somewhere they can go to."

A special 4 page feature on the Royal Borough's campaign against domestic abuse



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- Have fun and meet people

How to apply

If you are interested in the mentor role or wish to find out more, please contact Volunteer Centre Greenwich by email at yp@volunteersgreenwich.co.uk or telephone 020 8853 1331.

Turn a corner with the **Young People's Project**

Supported by The City of London Corporation's charity, City Bridge Trust
Delivered in partnership with the Royal Borough of Greenwich



Volunteer Centre
Greenwich

in partnership



DO YOU LOOK AFTER SOMEONE WHO RELIES ON YOUR HELP?



A carer's assessment will look at how caring impacts on your life and tell you what support is available.

- ▶ Advice and access to support services
- ▶ A carer's personal budget (from £50-£500 dependent on your eligibility and need)
- ▶ Information on practical support available for the person you care for.

For general advice call the Greenwich Carer's Advice Line
0300 555 1515

If you look after an adult and would like to arrange your assessment call
020 8921 2304



Help shape play on lives of women

A PLAY telling the stories of women across the last 100 years will be produced at Greenwich Theatre in September - and you can help shape the production.

Greenwich Theatre is helping to create a new play based on the lives of three generations of real women.

The theatre is acting as mentor to the award-winning Broken Leg Theatre company which will draw on the experiences of real women growing up in the UK over the last 100 years.

'Three Generations of Women' is the working title of the play being produced by Broken Leg directors and co-writers Anna Jefferson and Alice Trueman who are currently touring the country speaking to women of different demographics about their experiences of growing up in Britain.

The play will question if life is easier for women now or whether they face the same challenges as their mothers and grandmothers but in different guises.

A Greenwich Theatre audience will be the first to enjoy it at a showcase reading this September.

● **Any women interested in making a contribution to 'Three Generations of Women' are welcome to do so through the website www.threegenerationsofwomen.co.uk, or by calling Anna on 07977 478 765.**

Networking for fairtrade

ARTISTS and musicians are hosting an evening of education and entertainment later this month to launch Fairtrade Fortnight.

Global Fusion Music & Arts (GFMA) will mark the start of Fair Trade Fortnight with a networking event in Charlton House.

The event, on Wednesday February 26, is free and starts at 6.30pm. Among the many stalls will be clothing, food, gifts, books, arts and instruments plus massages. There will be a short talk about Fair-Trade Fortnight and the ethos of Fairtrade products.

GFMA members will also treat guests to some dance, music and poetry including a few songs from the GFMA singing group. Topping the bill will be Kora player Mosi Conde from Guinea. Taster sessions will be offered for people to try drumming, Tai Chi or African dance.

Folk singer songwriter, Chris Harrison is on the bill along with acapella group Morrigan.

GFMA project manager Louisa Le Marchand said: "We had a networking event last year to mark the start of Fairtrade Fortnight, which was a great success.

"People really got into the spirit of things and this year we hope that it will be even better. Not very much is free these days but the GFMA Fairtrade Fortnight Networking event will be worth a visit and it's free."

● **For more details ring 020 8858 9497/ 07976 941435**



TAKE your partners for a jive and a groove at a series of spring social dances, hosted by Dance Greenwich.

There's a toe-tapping schedule of themed dances exploring everything from Swing to Irish dance at the royal borough Art Deco dance hall in Royal Hill, Greenwich, starting this month.

Greenwich dance resident Temujin Gill kicks off the monthly series on Saturday February 15 when he brings the vibrant world of Lindy Hop to life with Swing Night. This form of music is seen as the grandfather of all jive and swing dance forms and there'll be workshops to guide you through the basics followed by an open floor and a live band playing hits from the 30s, 40s and 50s.

Back by popular demand after a sell-out success last year, is the St Patrick's Day Céili on Saturday March 15. This is the place to celebrate St Patrick's Day in true Irish form with a night of lively Céili dancing and music. Experts will be on hand to guide you through all the steps you need to know.

Saturday April 26 sees a celebration of spring with a traditional barn dance with high-energy dancing, live music and a caller from the Liam Robinson Dance Band on hand to help guests.

Everyone is welcome at these fun events from complete beginners to more advanced dancers and each has live music and a bar for you to enjoy. You can come on your own, with a partner or with a whole troop of friends and family.

Kat Bridge, artistic director at Greenwich Dance told GT: "Swing Night is the first in a series of social dances this spring, followed by an Irish Ceili for St Patrick's Day and a Barn Dance in April.

"The beautiful 1930s Art Deco Borough Hall has a long history of social dancing, and along with our regular monthly tea dances and huge range of evening classes, there

WHAT'S

BLACKHEATH HALLS, 23 LEE ROAD

Lunchtime recitals presented by the Friends of Blackheath Halls, FREE, retiring collection for benefit of the halls.

Friday, Feb 7 at 1.10pm

LANA TROTOVŠEK violin BORIS BIZJAK flute

YOKO MISUMI piano

Monday, Feb 24 at 1.10pm

MORICOSTA STRING TRIO

www.blackheathhalls.com

ST ALFEGE CHURCH

Free recitals/concerts

Feb 6, 1.05pm - Trinity Laban. Hannah Peters, Saxophone.

Feb 13, 1.05pm - Trinity Laban Extreme Sax, professors' concert.

EARL OF CHATHAM, WOOLWICH

Psychic night with palm reading, crystal ball, tarot card reading and psychic predictions. 7pm, last Thur of every month. FREE

WOODLAND FARM

Wildlife Explorers trail, spot signs of animals on this free trail. Feb 19, 10am-2pm
www.thewoodlandfarmtrust.org

Let's dance!



are plenty of opportunities to join in.

"Everyone is welcome at these fun events, from complete beginners to the more advanced, and this is a fantastic chance to learn a few moves from one of the UK's foremost Lindy Hop dancers."

Each event runs from 8pm-11pm and costs £10 or £7.50 concs. There's 20 per cent off for bookings of 10 or more.

For information and to book online visit www.greenwichdance.org.uk or telephone 020 8293 974.



DAN STEPHENS steps out to learn more about a series of spring dances



FOOT LOOSE: barn dancers and Lindy Hoppers hit the dance floor while the Blue Harlem band lead the tunes

ON

To enter a listing email greenwichtime@outlook.com or call 020 8921 5916

GREENWICH HERITAGE CENTRE 9am-5pm daily until Feb 8

And The River Flows, an exhibition created by the Focus Finder photography group, showcasing three views of the city of London and its impact on daily life. You can also meet the photographers behind the exhibition.

GREENWICH DANCE, BOROUGH HALLS, ROYAL HILL

Swing Night, Sat, February 15
8pm-11pm, £10 / £7.50 concessions
March 1 - Title: Meeting Mr Boom! live music and dance show, 11am & 2pm, open dress rehearsal Fri Feb 28, 5pm.
Book on 020 8293 9741 or greenwichdance.org.uk

THE JOHN ROAN SCHOOL, Maze Hill,
Animate Orchestra offering young people the chance to play together and create their own music. Feb 20-21, 9.45am-4pm. Cost £17 (£5 concs) Email info@animateorchestra.org.uk or visit animateorchestra.org.uk

NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM

Turner & The Sea, until April 21. 10am - 5pm, www.rmg.co.uk/whats-on/events/turner-and-the-sea

CUTTY SARK

Evening performances in the Cutty Sark Studio Theatre, 7.45pm Feb 7 - An Evening with Ross Noble. Visit rmg.co.uk/studiotheatre
Feb 9 - Corelli College, the Reel Macbeth
Feb 11 - Thomas Tallis Variety Show

CHARLTON HOUSE

Free Friday lunchtime concerts until March 28, 1pm. Enjoy wonderful classical music concerts in the historic setting of the Old Library Feb 16 - wedding fair, 10.30am-3.30pm.free admission
Feb 20 - Death Cafe, discuss life death and what comes after over tea and cake.

CLOCKHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE,

Woolwich Dockyard SE18 5QL. The Woolwich Singers Community Choir meets every Wednesday, 6.30- 8pm. Come and join our happy choir and sing for fun! We sing a mixture of popular songs, something for everyone. £2 weekly inc refreshments. Tel: Wendy 07812 477775.

THE FAN MUSEUM

Hatch, Match and Despatch Part 2. An exhibition of fans celebrating the theatricality of love, life and death covering a period of over 300 years. Until June 1, 11am-5pm daily. Cost adults £4, £3 concs, £10 families. Visit www.thefanmuseum.org.uk



CHARLTON HOUSE

Scenes of Greenwich Park across the seasons feature in a month-long exhibition of striking photographs at Charlton House, which starts today (Feb 4). Taken by local photographer Andy Linden, Photographs of Greenwich Park, features dozens of dramatic shots of trees, paths and parkland at different times of the day and at different seasons. Having lived within walking distance of the park all his life, it's a place Andy holds with special affection and he continues to be inspired by the trees and landscape. A photographer for over

30 years, Andy is a member of Aperture Woolwich Photographic Society and a member of the Royal Photographic Society. In 2009 he gained the society's distinction of Licentiate (LRPS). His pictures have been in the Elixir Gallery at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and the Verve Gallery at Queen Mary's Hospital, Sidcup, and he has prints on display in the Railway pub in Blackheath Village.

Photographs of Greenwich Park is at Charlton House until February 28. Framed signed prints will be for sale from £120. Email andy@andyandlinden.com

GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 377

BIDDING FOR PROPERTIES

People on the Housing register are able to bid for all properties, regardless of their banding. You must be eligible for the size of property and bids will be considered in the following order:

First Band A, followed by Band B both in priority date order.
Those in Band C will then be considered in registration date order.

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

1

Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk

2

Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

3

Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

4

Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 12 February 2014 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 9 February 2014**.

24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes
(Choice Based Lettings) Telephone
Bidding Line is available in:
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au
choix ») Ligne téléphonique de
demande disponible en français
en composant le :
French 020 8921 4330

Có sắn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện
thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản
Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:
Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaafadda Greenwich
(Guri-ijaar Ku-saleysan kala-
doorashao) Khadka Ku-tarlanka
waxaa laga helaa:
Somali 020 8921 4345

Greenwich Konutları (Tercihle Dayalı
Kıralık Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme
Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:
Turkish 020 8921 4347

格林威治家居 (揀選租屋計劃) 開通電
話競投專線:
Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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வாடகை வீடுகள்) ஏலப் பிரிவு தொலைபே.
இங்கு கிடைக்கும்:
Tamil 020 8921 4300

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

GreenwichHomes

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Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185232

Thames St SE10

3 Bed Grnd Flr Mais
Entry phn Elec/H
No pets No Pkg
£145.08pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185244

Thames St SE10

3 Bed Grnd Flr Mais
Entry phn Elec/H
No pets No Pkg
£139.71pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185239

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No Pkg
£138.49pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185229

Thames St SE10

3 Bed Grnd Flr Mais
Entry phn Elec /Htg
No pets No pkg
£145.08pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185230

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

1 Bed 3rd Flr Flat
Unlifted Entry phn
Elec/Htg No pets No Pkg
£125.11pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185242

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No pkg
£125.11pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185243

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No Pkg
£125.11pw

HYDE PROPERTIES THAMES STREET

1 Open plan
kitchen and living
area

2 Only electric

3 No Parking

4 No pets Allowed

5 No garden



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185234

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

3 Bed 3rd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No pkg
£145.08pw



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185235

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

3 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No Pkg
£145.08pw

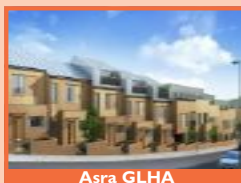


Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 185241

Jubilee Ct Thames St SE10

2 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Elec/H No pets No Pkg
£138.49pw

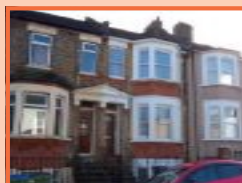


Asra GLHA

Ref Number: 184020

Waverley Rd SE18

2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat
Entry phn Rad C/H
No pets No Pkg L/A
shower
£115.32pw



Ref Number: 185237

Kashgar Rd SE18

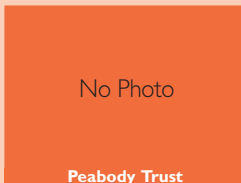
4 Bed Parl Hse Gdn
Rad C/H No Pkg
£139.01pw



Ref Number: 185245

The Redwoods Congleton Gr SE18

2 Bed 3rd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Comm G/H No Pkg
£106.40pw



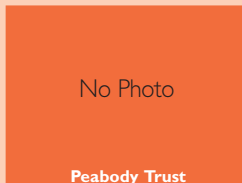
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Peabody Trust

Ref Number: 185366

Stane Way SE18

3 Bed Hse Gdn
Rad C/H
£124.53pw



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Peabody Trust

Ref Number: 185367

Sandbach PI SE18

3 Bed Hse Gdn
Rad C/H
£124.53pw

Mutual Exchange Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website **www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes**.

For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on

020 8921 2941

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

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Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



Ref Number: 185368
Azof St SE10
2 Bed Hse
Rad C/H
£124.30pw



Ref Number: 185369
Kelbrook Rd SE3
3 Bed Hse
Rad C/H
£112.69pw

Important Notice
Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**



Ref Number: 185399
Godfrey Rd SE18
3 Bed 1st Flr Flat
Unlifted Rad C/H
£105.29pw Band D only



Ref Number: 185420
Ann St SE18
2 Bed Grnd Flr Mais
Entry phn Rad C/H
£94.14pw



Ref Number: 185421
Gregory Hse Brook La SE3
2 Bed 2nd Flr Mais
Unlifted Rad C/H
£106.18pw



Ref Number: 185423
Halsbrook Rd SE3
Bedsit Grnd Flr Flat
Entry phn Gas Fire Only
£76.26pw



Ref Number: 185431
Churchbury Rd SE9
3 Bed 1st Flr Flat Gdn
Unlifted Rad C/H
No Pkg
£109.29pw

If you are bidding for houses under Band C you must have 1 child under 16 years



Ref Number: 185427
Wythens Wk SE9
2 Bed Grnd Flr Flat
Entry phn Rad C/H
No Pkg
£103.80pw

Applicants over 50+ can apply



Ref Number: 176462
Sherard Rd SE9
2 Bed 1st Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
G/H 1 pkg space
Must be over 55 No pets
£127.04pw



Ref Number: 185428
Alliance Rd SE18
1 Bed 1st Flr Flat
Unlifted Rad C/H
No pets
£90.74pw



Ref Number: 185456
Hatfield Hse Merryweather Pl SE10
1 Bed 2nd Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Rad C/H No pets
£132.41pw

Small is beautiful Under Occupation scheme

If you are living in a Council property that is too big for you, we can help you to move to somewhere smaller. The Council will pay your removal costs, and £350 for each bedroom gained. To join the scheme you must be willing to move to a home with two bedrooms less than you have now:

- 3 bedroom to a 1 bedroom home
- 3 bedroom parlour / 4 bedroom to a 1 or 2 bedroom home
- 5 bedroom to a 3 bedroom (or smaller) home

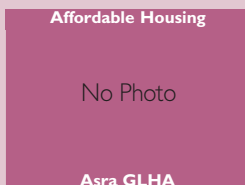
Please note under the scheme we cannot consider tenants for a move to a house if they currently live in a flat or maisonette.

For more information contact the Project Team on:

020 8921 2671

Affordable Homes

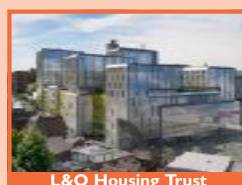
Please note any Housing Association properties advertised in this way will have a higher rent charge



Ref Number: 71572
Vicarage Pk SE18
1 Bed Grd Flr Flat Gdn
Entry phn Rad C/H
No pets
£128.00pw



Ref Number: 184619
Prince Rupert Rd SE9
3 Bed Hse Gdn
Rad C/H
£180.00pw



Ref Number: 185454
Pepys Ct Love Lane SE18
1 Bed 8th Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Rad C/H No pets
£127.15pw

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ROYAL BOROUGH TENANTS WHO ARE MOVING

DON'T GET A BILL AFTER YOU LEAVE

Under the conditions of your tenancy agreement, you have a responsibility to leave your property in an acceptable state of repair. We may visit you to check this. If we consider your property is in an unacceptable condition, you may be prevented from moving or be recharged for work.

To avoid getting an unwelcome bill, follow these rules:

- Repair any damage caused to the property by you, your family or visitors to your home.
- Make good any changes you have made to your property e.g. put back any doors that you have removed.
- Make sure your garden is not overgrown and you have cleared all garden waste.
- Clear all your items from the inside and the outside of the property. This includes any loft space, external cupboards or sheds.
- Return all the keys to the Royal Borough's offices no later than midday on Monday (or Tuesday if it is a Bank Holiday). You will be charged a further week's rent if you do not return your keys on time.

If you leave repairs that are your responsibility, or items that require disposal you will be charged the cost of this work.

Special Collection Service

The Royal Borough offers a Special Collection Service for tenants who are moving and want to dispose of something big and bulky, like a sofa or a fridge, and even unwanted clothes and other textiles.

Simply contact Waste Services on 020 8921 4661 and tell them where you live and what you would like taken away.

Items we will collect include:

Fridges, freezers, washing machines, beds, sofas, clothes and carpets (carpets must be cut up and tied into manageable bundles that one person can carry).

Items we DO NOT collect include:

Fitted kitchens, bathroom suites, boilers, sheds, fences and rubble.

For further information, please contact Waste Services on **020 8921 4661**.

Please leave your home in a good condition!

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 374

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Kingsman Street SE18 5PR	1	FLAT	602	20/10/2011	B
Elm Tree Court Fairlawn SE7	3	FLAT	407	04/01/2010	A
Resolution Walk SE18 5QH	4	PARLOUR HSE	397	11/01/2011	B
Sowerby Close SE9 6HA	1	FLAT	342	04/11/2010	C
Tattersall Close SE9 6ES	1	FLAT	362	08/12/2003	B
Bell House Haddo Street SE10 9RJ	3	FLAT	463	18/04/2011	A
Gilbert House Mcmillan Street SE8 3DJ	2	MAISONETTE	331	18/04/2013	B
Ravens Way SE12 8HD	3	FLAT	334	27/06/2013	B
Dursley Road SE3 8PG	1	FLAT	414	22/08/2013	B
Warwick Terrace SE18 1QJ	3	HOUSE	881	10/02/2003	A
Plum Lane SE18 3AG	1	FLAT	455	04/08/2011	A

For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team

on: **020 8921 2941**

Email:

housing-allocations@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

GreenwichHomes adverts

Greenwich Time

is now being published

50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.

ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH NON-DOMESTIC RATEPAYERS

In accordance with the provision of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Royal Borough is required to carry out a consultation exercise with non-domestic ratepayers concerning its budget proposals for 2014/15. The consultation period is the week commencing 10th February 2014. Detailed information about the proposals is being sent to SE London Chamber of Commerce, The Federation of Small Businesses and to certain major ratepayers. Non-domestic ratepayers who are not members of these organisations, and who wish to examine the budget proposals, may get copies of the information from Strategic Accounting, Chief Executive's Department, 3rd Floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ.



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Wanted! Friendly Welcoming Host Families Want to Earn £200+ per week? (minimum 2 students)

Then turn that spare room into cash! Host our well-behaved, polite students who study in the mornings and go sight-seeing in the afternoon.

There will be no daily pick-ups and drop-offs as students will have travel cards.

We are interested in hearing from you if you live in the following postcodes: SE3, SE7, SE9 (Eltham Only), SE10 and SE18 (Shooters Hill Only).

English Elite Homestays

for further information CALL, after 10am

07591 502376 or 020 8854 4335

To advertise in GT call Gaynor on 020 8921 5033

Royal Borough of Greenwich Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2010 Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED) Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED) Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given that application(s) have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday at:-

Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT

Also at <http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/planning> or at the library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutory Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the items below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 04/02/2014

Mika Hove - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

Applicant: Mrs Tanja Mitchell 4 DICKSON ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 6RB Development: Installation of replacement UPVC windows on front and side elevations. Library: Eltham Library, 2 Andover Road SE9 1RA Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE	13/2851/F	Conservation Area: Applicant: Morris Walk Partnerships Limited MORRIS WALK (NORTH) ESTATE, NORTH OF PETT STREET, SE18 Development: Redevelopment of the Morris Walk Estate (North) comprising of the construction of up to 104 residential dwellings with associated access, parking and private and public open spaces. (OUTLINE APPLICATION). Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area:	14/0127/O
Applicant: Mr Richard Mackmurdie 4 HEREWORTH DRIVE, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 3EE Development: Demolition of part of existing single storey garage and erection of a new single storey garage. Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area: SHREWSBURY PARK ESTATE	13/3245/F	Applicant: Dr Erling Refsum LAND R/O 142 HUMBER ROAD, BLACKHEATH, SE3 7LY Development: Demolition of existing double garage and construction of a new self-contained single storey over basement single family dwelling (Annexe/extension). Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTBORNE PARK	14/0151/F
Applicant: Mr Randall 6 LANGTON WAY, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7TL Development: Demolition of rear extension; construction of a part 1/2 part 2-storey rear extension; new front entrance; alterations to windows; rendering/repainting of facade and new landscaping including the removal of two trees. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH	14/0064/F	Applicant: Mr Peter McNeil 38 MAZE HILL, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8XG Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: GREENWICH PARK	14/0161/F
Applicant: Mrs Stella Pullar-Strecker 48 HARDY ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7NN Development: Installation of replacement roof covering with Marley Everest slate. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTBORNE PARK	14/0082/F	Applicant: Mr Armitage MEWS HOUSE, 35B BLACKHEATH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8PE Development: Conversion of garage into habitable rooms. Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN Conservation Area: ALBURNHAM TRIANGLE	14/0177/F
Applicant: Ms Chand LAND ADJACENT TO 2 HARDY ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7NR Development: Construction of a new 5-bed attached house. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: WESTBORNE PARK	14/0084/F	Publicity for Listed Building Consent	
Applicant: Lovell Partnerships Limited CONNAUGHT ESTATE, LAND TO THE SOUTH OF SANDY HILL LANE & WEST OF BROOKHILL ROAD, WOOLWICH, SE18 Development: Redevelopment of the Connaught Estate, comprising of the construction of up to 684 residential units, of which 332 are subject to detailed application (Phase 1), with associated access, parking and private and public open space (Hybrid Application). Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area:	14/0086/O	Applicant: Church Of David UNITS 2,3 & 4 COMMONWEALTH BUILDINGS, WOOLWICH CHURCH STREET, WOOLWICH, SE18 5NS Development: Use of ground floor of existing premises for light industrial B1(c), together with the erection of a full mezzanine floor, including the re-arrangement of window openings at ground and 1st floor levels and the use of the upper floor as an ancillary community facilities and a place of worship (B1). Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area: Listed Building: Grade 2	14/0063/L
Applicant: Mr Ed Dobinson 31 KIDBROOKE GARDENS, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 0PD Development: Construction of part 1/2 part 2-storey rear extension; front extension to side garage and enlargement of existing dormer windows and installation of 2 rooflights. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH	14/0098/F	Applicant: Mr Peter McNeil 38 MAZE HILL, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8XG Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: GREENWICH PARK Listed Building: Grade 2	14/0099/L
Applicant: Lovell Partnerships Limited MAYON ROAD & GROVE ESTATE, MAYON ROAD, SE18 Development: Redevelopment of the Mayon Road and Grove Estate comprising of the construction of up to 165 residential units and associated open space, landscaping, car parking and infrastructure (OUTLINE APPLICATION). Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area:	14/0117/O	Applicant: Mr Robert Higgins The Pointer School MARNIC HOUSE, 37 SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7HS Development: Conversion and extension of existing single storey garage to provide two storey teaching accommodation, staff rooms, lobby and toilet facilities. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH Listed Building: Grade 2	14/0121/L
Applicant: Mr Robert Higgins The Pointer School MARNIC HOUSE, 37 SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7HS Development: Conversion and extension of existing single storey garage to provide two storey teaching accommodation, staff rooms, lobby and toilet facilities. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH Listed Building: Grade 2	14/0120/F	Applicant: Mr Britton 10 SHOOTERS HILL ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7BD Development: Installation of replacement ground floor timber sash windows and bi-fold doors between principle rooms. Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH Listed Building: Grade 2	14/0137/L
Applicant: Lovell Partnerships Limited MORRIS WALK (SOUTH) ESTATE, SOUTH OF MAYON ROAD, SE7 Development: Redevelopment of the Morris Walk Estate (South) comprising of the construction of up to 462 residential dwellings with associated access, parking and private and public open spaces. (OUTLINE APPLICATION). Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT Conservation Area:	14/0126/O		





Olympic legacy alive and kicking

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of work into customer services and being welcoming. We've seen a really big uplift generally on the back of the refurbishing," he added.

Sam is keen that staff interact with customers when they use the pool and its 50ft slide, which was packed after being refurbished last summer.

During half-term in February, staff will be dressing up as Waterfront mascots pool side for fun sessions.

Susan Conway from Plumstead, said she had noticed huge differences when she submitted feedback to staff at the centre, run by the royal borough's leisure partner Greenwich Leisure Ltd.

She wrote: "I would like to say how much I like the new equipment and weights in the gym at the Waterfront, also the updated sauna and changing rooms in the pool area. It makes it much more enjoyable to visit."

Gym users who gave Peter Kotz, the royal borough's cabinet member for culture and creative industries, a tour of

the new heavy weights gym are also impressed by the changes.

Scott Woods, who has worked at the centre for two years, said: "It's much better. The equipment is much better than it was before."

The former weights area in the basement has been refurbished as a multi-functional area and is home to martial arts groups.

Junior gym sessions for 11 to 15-year-olds are often at capacity and work is being done to try to expand them.

But the physical work is not finished yet, with further works planned.

After touring the centre Cllr Kotz said: "It is wonderful that this refurbishment has brought new people into the centre."

"It really looks great. The royal borough was determined to provide sporting chances for all abilities as a legacy from the London 2012 Olympics. This refurbishment provides the perfect opportunity for everyone to get active, either for recreation or for serious sport."

● **For information about the centre visit www.better.org.uk/leisure/waterfront-leisure-centre**



FRIENDLY: Centre manager Sam Wright and team welcome Cllr Peter Kotz to the Waterfront, the refurbished leisure pool has already proved popular

ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH The Greenwich (Free Parking Places) (Disabled Persons) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2014 The Greenwich (Eltham Station Area CP2) (Free Parking Places) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2014

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6 and 124 of and Part III of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
2. The general effect of the Orders would be to:
 - (a) shorten a free parking place by 6.6 metres on the south-west side of Kidbrooke Lane, adjacent to No. 53 Well Hall Road and replace that parking space with a disabled persons' parking place for one vehicle; and
 - (b) provide disabled persons' parking places each for one vehicle:
 - (i) on the east side of Indus Road, outside No. 22 Indus Road; and
 - (ii) on the north side of Bracondale Road, outside No. 119 Bracondale Road.
3. A copy of the proposed Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Orders, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.
4. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 2884.
5. Any person who wishes to object to or make other representations about the proposed Orders should send a statement in writing by 25th February 2014, specifying the grounds on which any objection is made, to Royal Borough of Greenwich, PO Box 485, Kemp House, 152-160 City Road, London, EC1V 2NW (quoting reference PCL/TMO/07100001564).
6. Persons objecting to the proposed Orders should be aware that, in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, this Council would be legally obliged to make any comments received in response to this notice, open to public inspection.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ

Dated 4th February 2014
(INTERNAL REF: 10000156400)



ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – WOOLWICH ROAD

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to make an Order to accommodate carriageway surface dressing work in Woolwich Road (between Blackwall Lane and Tunnel Avenue). The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering or exiting Woolwich Road at its junctions with Ambridge Road, Ambridge Road, Calvert Road, Cambedale Road, Denham Street, Hildow Road and Renshaw Road between 8pm and 5am the following day on each night of works.
2. The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these works would be maintained whenever possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.
3. The Order would come into force on 24th March 2014 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take five days to complete. The works would be conducted on a "rolling" programme and, as such, not all the restrictions stated in paragraph 1 would be in force at all the affected junctions at any one time.
4. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 2284.

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35 Wellington Street,
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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH The Greenwich (Prescribed Routes) (No. 2) Traffic Order 2014

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under section 6 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
2. The general effect of the Order would be to prevent vehicles proceeding in the westbound carriageway of Woolwich Road from performing a U-turn outside 100m New Life Church.
3. A copy of the proposed Order and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Order is made or, as the case may be, the Council decides not to make the Order, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.
4. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 2284.
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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – HATCLIFFE STREET

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to make an Order to accommodate sewer connection works in Hatcliffe Street. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading) in Hatcliffe Street.
2. The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. The Order would come into force on 17th February 2014 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take one day on 17th February 2014 to complete.
4. Whilst the prohibitions remain in operation, vehicular traffic requiring access to the Flamsteed Estate would be able to do so via Commerell Place.
5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5869.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation

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Dated 4th February 2014

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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – WELL HALL ROAD ACCESS ROAD

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich has made an Order to accommodate water supply work in Well Hall Road access road. The effect of the Order will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading) in Well Hall Road access road (the road fronting what was previously Ocean Parade), between the eastern kerb-line of Tom Coombs Close and a point opposite the corner boundary of Nos. 242 and 244 Well Hall Road.
2. The above restrictions will only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. The Order will come into force on 4th February 2014 and will continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works will take three weeks to complete.
4. Whilst the prohibitions remain in operation, vehicular traffic approaching the closure:
 - (a) from the western end will be diverted via Westhorse Avenue, Elmbrook Gardens, Kidbrooke Lane, Westhorse Avenue, Rochester Way and Well Hall Road;
 - (b) from the eastern end will be diverted via Well Hall Road, Rochester Way and Westhorse Avenue, following local discretionary signing.
5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5759.

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UPLIFT: Cllr Peter Kotz sees first hand how the Waterfront centre is going from strength to strength

Waterfront facelift leads to near record number of new customers

by Ian Lamont

AN £800,000 facelift has boosted new memberships at the Waterfront Leisure Centre to almost record levels.

The gym, pool, changing rooms have all been updated - and customers have seen the benefits.

New members joining in January have reached 550, compared to 412 last year.

In the changing rooms, fixtures and fittings like the cubicles, lockers and showers have all been transformed and the weights gym has moved from the windowless basement to the ground floor, overlooking the river.

The work has been done to meet the royal borough's commitment

to providing a sporting legacy for all residents, through its leisure services partner Greenwich Leisure Limited.

Waterfront manager Sam Wright, who was a lifeguard when it opened in 1988, said: "We've not had a month as busy as this for new members in five years."

"January and February are our busiest months anyway, but we've been right back through the records and this is the third highest number of new members we've had in one month in our 25 years."

"We've had a great start to the year, but we've got another 11 months to keep getting it right."

The reasons, he said, were the physical overhaul of the facilities, but also because they had put a lot

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